

Call to the Seventh Quadrennial Conference of the Young Women's Christian Association of India, Burma and Ceylon.



Announcement.

The next meeting of the Young Women's Christian Associations united in the National Association of India, Burma and Ceylon is the Quadrennial Conference called to assemble in Ranchi, Bihar, from Wednesday, November 17th to Monday, November 22nd, 1920. The last Quadrennial Conference was held in Bombay, December 30th 1915 to January 4th 1916.

Representation.

Each Association is expected to send representatives electing from its Active Membership, preferably from the Board and Committee members, one delegate "for every hundred members or fraction thereof." It is highly desirable that each Branch will elect such members to represent them as can bring to the Conference knowledge of the work and outlook of their own Branch, in order that the discussions and decisions of the business hours may be carried on with the interests of all parts of the field in mind.

Business.

The business of the Conference will consist of :

- (1) The report of the Indian National Committee since the last Conference.
- (2) The consideration of a proposed revised Constitution (see June *Woman's Outlook in India*).
- (3) The statement of the Objective of the Young Women's Christian Association in India, Burma and Ceylon.
- (4) The consideration of a Religious programme for the next four years.
- (5) The discussion of recommendations framing a Policy of the work to be done in the next four years (such recommendations may be sent in by any Branch either before the Conference to the Indian National Committee, or at the opening of the Conference to a Committee appointed for that purpose).

- (6) The report of the financial standing of the National Association and recommendations regarding the budgets for the ensuing period.

The officers of all Branches are urged to read at meetings, or otherwise circulate among the membership, the "Open Letter to Members" appearing in the Conference column of the *Woman's Outlook in India* for August, September and October, in which the meaning of representation at the Conference and responsibility toward the future programme are explained in detail.

Programme.

The programme of the Conference will include sermons and addresses on distinctly spiritual themes, accounts of the work done for young women by Young Women's Christian Associations both in India and in other lands, hours for intercession and social intercourse, in addition to the business sessions. As the Young Women's Christian Association Conference immediately follows the Annual Meeting of the Representative Council of Missions, Calcutta, November 11th-16th, and precedes the Tenth Indian National Convention of the Young Men's Christian Association, Calcutta, November 23rd-27th, invitations to speakers are being made in connection with those programmes and names will be announced later. The World's Executive Committee in London, the British Overseas and Foreign Department in London, the National Board of the United States of America in New York City, the Chinese National Committee in Shanghai, are expecting to send representatives who will address the Conference.

Arrangements for Delegates.

Headquarters of the Conference will be at the Ranchi Hotel, which has offered its two hotel buildings and comfortable tent accommodations in the grounds, and will erect a shamiana for meetings. The rates are quoted to delegates at Rs. 3/8/- per day.

Guests from the West and North reach Purulia on the Bengal-Nagpur Railway in time to connect with the train from Calcutta, reaching Ranchi at 11 A.M. Delegates from the South are advised to travel via Calcutta.

The Conference will open at 5 P.M. on the 17th and close on the 22nd at 10-30 A.M. in order to allow delegates to leave Ranchi on the 3 P.M. train, making the best connections out of Purulia.

A later circular will be sent to each Association in such quantities as are indicated by the number of members for whom Affiliation Fees have been paid for 1919. These circulars will contain blanks for advance registration of accredited delegates. The registration fee for each delegate is one rupee, and the Convention badge, annas ten.

A Prize Competition is announced for best exhibit of Photographs, Posters, printed matter, etc., brought by any Branch. Particulars in *Woman's Outlook in India*.

Requests.

It is the earnest wish of the Camps and Conferences Committee as well as of all members and secretaries of the Indian National Committee that this Conference may be a subject of earnest prayer made on behalf of the *young women* of these lands, and that every Branch shall take advantage of this opportunity to meet with members of other Branches to consider the common problems and future of their Young Women's Christian Association.

Questions will be gladly received and answered by the Camps and Conferences Committee.

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